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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Schmidt, S. et al.

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For: CONTROLLED RADICAL ACRYLIC COPOLYMER THICKENERS

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The following response is made to the Office action mailed June 12, 2009 setting a shortened statutory period for response to expire September 12, 2009, Applicants request entry of the following amendments, consideration of the following remarks and reconsideration of the rejections set forth in said Office Action.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 7.